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The MCB of Kupiskis had at its head a Soviet commanding officer (majoros). To replace him they appointed Tansons, a native Lithuanian who immediately won greater popularity and more sincere confidence in the town than was enjoyed by his predecessor, But at the same time, a Soviet captain was seen accompanying of Dekanys, the Lithuanian aptain. Each time I spoke to Jansonas, the commanding officer, he was required to be accompanied by a Soviet noncommissioned officer who understood Lithuanian no better than I understood Russian (I do not speak Russian), therefore, Jansonas was compelled to act as interpreter. It may seem that efforts to ourb the spread of Russian nationalism have not been made in earnest. The objection is raised that there is still no effective plan. I am unable to say exactly to what extent this criticism is correct.

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